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**City of Charleston Announces First Round of Public Meetings
For the City's Comprehensive Plan Update**

Charleston, SC. The City of Charleston's Department of Planning, Preservation and Sustainability is announcing an opening round of public meetings to discuss elements to be included in the update to the City's 2000 **Century V City Plan**. This first group of meetings will give the public an overview of the purpose of a comprehensive plan, what elements are included in a comprehensive plan, and how a comprehensive plan is used by the City and its planners on a daily basis. The meetings will follow a very interactive format that will allow for individuals to speak one-on-one with planner and to also add their views to the various elements required to be in a comprehensive plan.

The schedule and location of meetings is as follows:

Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 PM Daniel Island
(Providence Baptist Church – 294 Seven Farms Drive)

Wednesday, September 30, 6:30 PM James Island
(Lowcountry Senior Center – 865 Riverland Drive)

Thursday, October 1, 6:30 PM Peninsula
(Charleston County Library – 68 Calhoun Street)

Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 PM West Ashley
(West Ashley High School – 4060 West Wildcat Boulevard)

Thursday, October 8, 6:30 PM Johns Island
(Berkeley Electric Cooperative – 3351 Maybank Highway)

These meetings will be an excellent opportunity for the public to learn about the planning process, speak to planners, and add their input to the vision for the City of Charleston over the next 10 years. The City will also have a citizens' survey available at these meetings for a broad range of input into the City's future vision. The survey will also be available in an on-line format through the month of October .

The City plans to prepare a draft of the updated comprehensive plan this winter and have another round of meetings on that draft before it is presented to the Planning Commission and City Council next spring.

For residents who need more information on these meetings or the City's planning process, please contact Eugenia Singleton in the Planning and Neighborhoods Division at 973-7249.

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